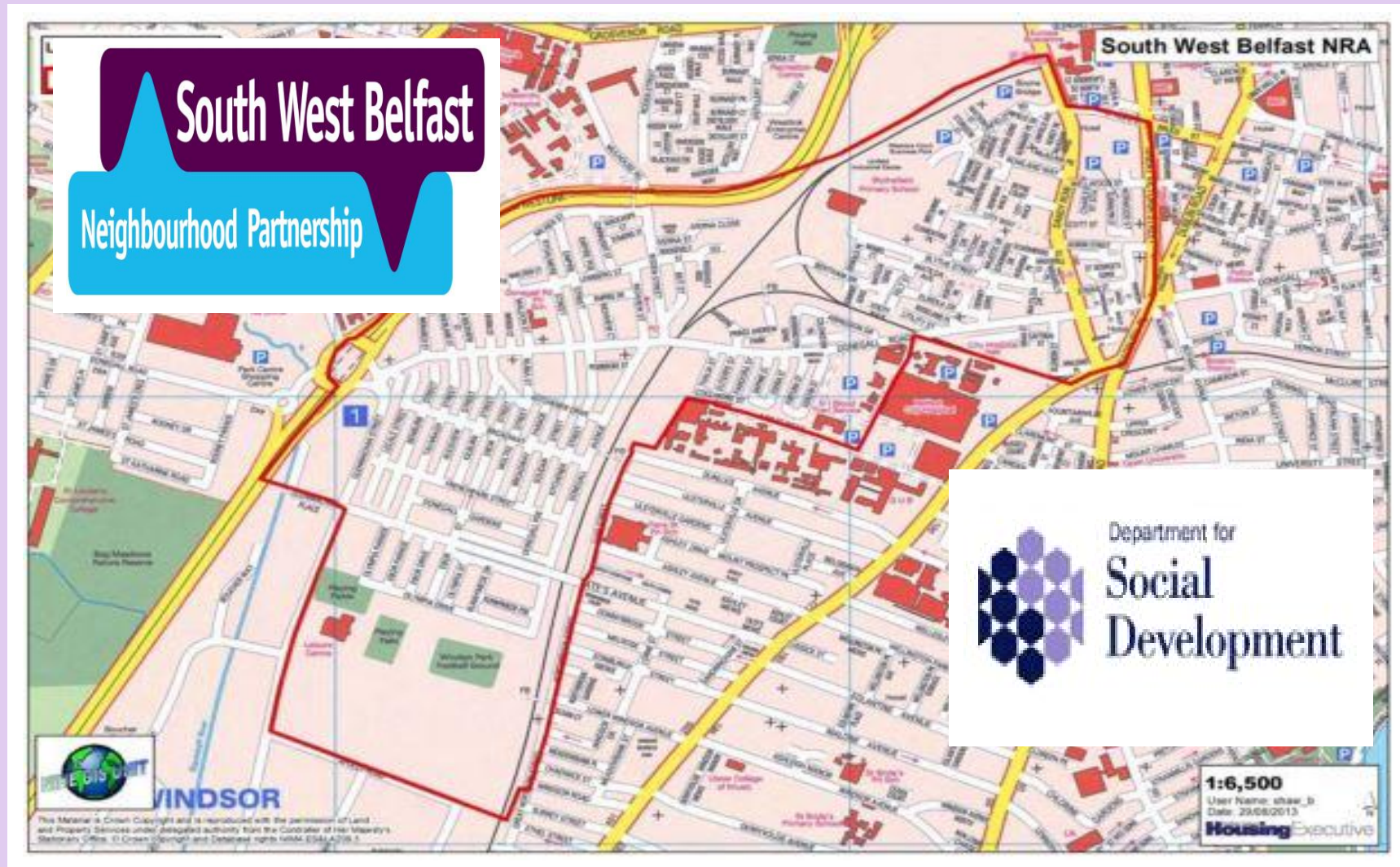


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# Joint Chairpersons Forward

As Joint Chairpersons of South West Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership (SWBNP), we are pleased to present the SWBNP Annual Report April 2015 to March 2016.

The purpose of the report is to inform SW Belfast residents, the wider community and Government about the work and progress made during the year to bring about Neighbourhood Renewal in Sandy Row, Donegall Road and Greater Village communities.

Efforts to achieve Neighbourhood Renewal are guided by a South West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Area (SWBNRA) Action Plan which focuses on the community, economic, social and physical needs of the area. This focus is tied to the Strategic Themes set down in the Governments' Neighbourhood Renewal Investment Programme.

The first SWBNRA Action Plan related to the period April 2012 to March 2015 while the current Plan covers the period April 2015 to April 2018. This Annual Report focuses on the work and progress made during Year One of the current Plan.

The role of SWBNP has been and remains to enable the development, implementation and annual review of the SWBNRA Action Plan.

The Plan consists of a series of Desired Outcomes, Outputs and planned Actions. These priorities flow from the identification and analysis of a range of local community needs.

Responsibility for delivering against the requirements of the SWBNRA Action Plan rests with five local groups, Belfast South Community Resources, Greater Village Regeneration Trust, Sandy Row Community Forum, Southcity Community Resource and Windsor Women's Centre

It is with pleasure that we are able to say that this Annual Report points to another successful year of Neighbourhood Renewal delivery against the requirements of the Action Plan

We would like to thank the management and staff of the five Neighbourhood Renewal Delivery Partners for their achievements in meeting the Action Plan delivery targets.

Also, our appreciation is extended to the DSD for its continued funding of the South West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal programme during the period 2015 to 2016. We believe that this reflects the Department's confidence in the ability of SWBNP and its Delivery Partners to deliver Neighbourhood Renewal in a way that is effective, efficient and economical

We would also like to thank DSD staff, particularly those within the Belfast Regeneration Directorate, South and East Belfast Office, for their invaluable support during the year.

The year 2015-2016 generated many challenges for SWBNP and all those working towards the goal of Neighbourhood Renewal. Despite these, everyone continued to work together to improve life for people of South West Belfast.

By preparing and making this Annual Report available, SWBNP is being transparent about its work and achievements. In doing so, it is making itself accountable to the local people it is working on behalf of and Government and other bodies that provide the essential funding. We would welcome their feedback.

**Paul Bradshaw (Joint Chairperson SWBNP)**

**Glenda Davies (Joint Chairperson SWBNP)**



# Background

## 1.0 Background

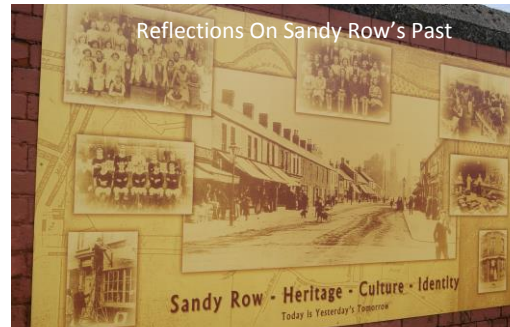
This section provides the following background information to the SWBNP Annual Report 2015-16:

- South West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Area.
- Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership.
- SWBNRA Area Context
- DSD Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy.
- DSD Neighbourhood Renewal Investment Programme.
- Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships.
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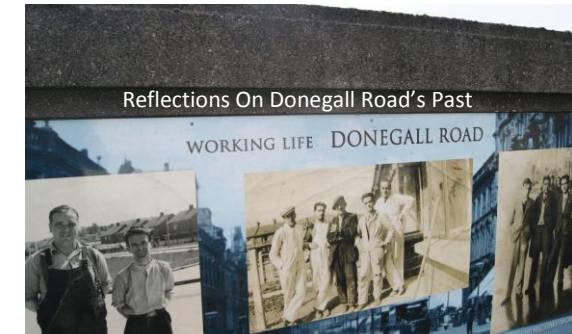
## 1.1 South West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Area

South West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Area (SWBNRA) incorporates two distinct communities located within the Shaftesbury and Blackstaff electoral wards of Belfast.

The first, Sandy Row, is geographically defined from the Boyne Bridge to the Lisburn Road and from Shaftesbury Square to the Donegall Road Bridge.



The second covers the Village, Mid-Donagall Road and Roden Street and comprises a collection of predominately residential communities bounded by the Westlink to the North, the main Belfast to Dublin railway line to the East, Windsor Park to the South and Glenmachan Street to the West.



## 1.2 Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership

South West Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership (SWBNP) was established in June 2005 to facilitate the implementation of the Government's Neighbourhood Renewal Programme in the inner city communities of the Greater Village, Mid-Donagall Road, and Sandy Row.

## 1.3 SWBNRA Area Context

Using the Multiple Deprivation Measures, Shaftesbury and Blackstaff electoral wards were identified in 2010 as lying within the top ten percent of the most deprived wards in N. Ireland.

Both areas have suffered over time from the decline in traditional manufacturing industries, the impact of the Troubles and a lack of investment.

Each community has, however, retained their individual cultural identity and in recent years a significant number of social, economic, physical and environmental regeneration programmes have been delivered to help address the decline.

## **1.4 DSD Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy**

The N. Ireland Government's Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy, 'People and Place', published in 2003, reiterated its commitment to tackling poverty, social inequalities and deprivation experienced by individuals, areas and groups.

Where people live was identified as a major determinant of their risk of experiencing poverty and a number of areas were identified in which concentrations of persons experiencing high levels of deprivation reside. The Strategy aims to tackle disadvantage for those people living within the most deprived communities.

Community problems would be addressed by way of co-ordinated interventions by relevant statutory, private, community and voluntary sectors organisations.

The Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy is based on four interlinked strategic themes:

### Community Renewal

- To develop consistent communities that are able and committed to improving the quality of life in their areas.

### Economic Renewal

- To develop economic activity in the most deprived neighbourhoods and to connect them to the wider urban economy.

### Social Renewal

- To improve social conditions for the people who live in the most deprived neighbourhoods through better co-ordinated public services and the creation of safer environments.

### Physical Renewal

- To help create attractive, safe, sustainable environments in the most deprived neighbourhoods.

## **1.5 DSD Neighbourhood Renewal Investment Programme**

The Department for Social Development's (DSD) Neighbourhood Investment Programme aims to reduce the social and economic inequalities that characterised the most deprived areas.

The Department made a long term commitment to communities to work in partnership with them to identify, prioritise needs and co-ordinate interventions designed to address the underlying causes of poverty.

## **1.6 Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships**

In support of this commitment, Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships were established. These are representative of local community interests and include relevant Government departments, public sector agencies, private sector interests and local elected representatives.

## **1.7 SW Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership**

South West Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership (SWBNP) was established in 2012. Its role includes:

- Analysing and prioritising of the needs of the Neighbourhood Renewal Area.
- Engagement and consultation with local communities to drive and implement Neighbourhood Renewal.
- Preparation, review and oversight of Neighbourhood Action Plans.
- Publicising and building awareness of Neighbourhood Renewal by updating local

communities, on a regular basis, of progress made.

At 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016, SWBNP was led by a Board of 18 Members drawn from relevant organisations in the community, voluntary, public and private sectors. (Annex 1) Up until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015, the Board also included local political representatives from Belfast City Council.

The SWBNP Board met on four occasions during the year. Administration services were provided by the South Belfast Partnership.

### 1.8 SWBNRA Area Community Needs

Community needs data available through the Northern Ireland Neighbourhood Information Service provides evidence of the high levels of socio-economic deprivation in the SWBNRA.

The two electoral wards that form a major part of the area, Shaftesbury and Blackstaff, rank in the top ten percent of deprived wards.

Ward	Blackstaff	Shaftesbury
<b>MDM Score</b>		
<b>Income Domain</b>	86	29
<b>Employment Domain</b>	79	44
<b>Health Domain</b>	36	15
<b>Education Domain</b>	29	10

<b>Access Domain</b>	550	573
<b>Living Environment</b>	2	22
<b>Crime &amp; Disorder Domain</b>	40	28

Source: <http://www.ninis.nisra.gov.uk>

### 1.9 SWBNRA Action Plan

Part of the role of SWBNP is to prepare, review and oversee the implementation of a SWBNP Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan for the South West Neighbourhood Renewal Area.

The first SWBNP Neighbourhood Renewal Action Plan covered the period April 2012 to March 2015.

Neighbourhood Partnerships are required to review their Action Plans on an annual basis. Arising from a review of the 2012-2015 Action Plan that took place during the spring/ summer of 2014, an updated Neighbourhood Renewal Action covering the period April 2015 to March 2018 was prepared

The Plan has six main themes, namely:

- Economic Renewal (Worklessness and Adult Education).
- Community Renewal.
- Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ Compulsory Education).

- Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ Anti-Social Behaviour).
- Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing).
- Physical Renewal and Housing.

### 1.10 SWBNRA Action Plan Delivery

The South West Belfast Neighbourhood Action Plan 2015-2018 is delivered collaboratively by five community groups in South West Belfast, namely:

- Belfast South Community Resources.
- Greater Village Regeneration Trust.
- Sandy Row Community Forum.
- Southcity Community Resource and Development Centre.
- Windsor Women's Centre.

Background information relating to these Delivery Partners is available in Annex 2.

This collaborative approach allows greater sharing of information, exploration of different delivery approaches and the avoidance of duplication.

Funding contracts relating to the delivery of actions across each of the strategic themes are in place between the DSD and GVRT which is the Lead Contract Administrator.

GVRT has Service Level Agreements (subcontracts) with the four other delivery partners below:

- Belfast South Community Resources. (BSCR)
- Sandy Row Community Forum. (SRCF)
- South City Resource & Development Centre. (SCRDC)
- Windsor Women's Centre. (WWC)

GVRT also has responsibility for operational delivery under a number of contracts.

Services are delivered by the partner groups within the framework of the four strategic themes as set out below:

#### Community Renewal

- Southcity Resource and Development Centre. (SCRDC)
- Sandy Row Community Forum. (SRCF)

#### Economic Renewal

- Belfast South Community Resource. (BSCR)
- Greater Village Regeneration Trust. (GVRT)

#### Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ Compulsory Education)

- Southcity Resource and Development Centre. (SCRDC)
- Belfast South Community Resource. (BSCR)
- Windsor Women's Centre. (WWC)

#### Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB)

- Greater Village Regeneration Trust. (GVRT)
- Southcity Resource and Development Centre. (SCRDC)
- Belfast South Community Resource. (BSCR)

#### Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing)

- Greater Village Regeneration Trust. (GVRT)
- Sandy Row Community Forum (SRCF)
- Windsor Women's Centre (WWC)

#### Physical Renewal

- Greater Village Regeneration Trust. (GVRT)
- Belfast South Community Resource. (BSCR)

Each of the five community groups is responsible for:

- Delivery of the agreed outputs and outcomes as set out in thematic contracts for 2015 - 2017.
- Providing information on expenditure and project outputs on a quarterly basis.
- Complying with programme recording procedures to enable SWBNRP to determine outputs and outcomes of the overall programme.

#### **1.11 SWBNP Sub-groups**

To support it in its role, SWBNP established six sub groups which offer the opportunity to involve a broader range of community, voluntary and public sector stakeholders.

The primary role of the sub-groups is to oversee the delivery of the relevant actions within their thematic areas.

The groups enable the development of stronger relationships, sharing of information and the exploration of opportunities for joint working in delivering Action Plan priorities.

### 1.12 SWBNP Strategic Managers' Working Group

Under the umbrella of the SWBNP, all five delivery partners of the South West Belfast Service Delivery Model are represented on a Strategic Managers Working Group (SMWG).

This SMWG meets to discuss a range of topics including:

- Activities.
- Proposed work plans.
- Collaborative opportunities.
- Project outcomes.
- Local challenges and opportunities.

The Group met on four occasions during the year.

The ongoing collaboration provided by the SMWG:

- Helps to ensure that, where possible, projects are developed and delivered in partnership.
- Enables Strategic Managers to investigate the potential for more efficient deployment of delivery services.

### 1.13 SWBNP Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordination and Communication

The SWBNP Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordinator (NRC) performs a co-ordinating role in relation to the work of the SWBNP and its delivery partners.

The SWBNP NRC also supports effective communication between SWBNP and the local and wider community.

### 1.14 SWBNR Action Plan Funding

A funding package of **£1.1m** from the DSD Neighbourhood Investment Programme was made available to enable the delivery of the SWBNR Action Plan 2015 to 2018 during the period 2015 to 2016.

The funding was allocated between the strategic themes as set out in the table below. The allocations are consistent with Action Plan identified needs and priorities.

Strategic Theme	2015-16 NR Funding
Community Renewal	112,698.56
Economic Renewal	99,019.00
Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth/ Education)	157,304.52
Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB)	56,941.78
Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) and Physical Renewal and Housing	75,119.09
Total	501,082.95

### 1.15 SWBNRP Financial Management

GVRT is responsible for the management and administration of SWBNRP income and expenditure. Financial records are maintained and monitored on a monthly basis by the GVRT Treasurer who, along with the GVRT Finance Manager, is responsible for ensuring financial probity and accuracy.

### 1.16 SWBNR Action Plan Staffing

Within the annual budget allocation for each strategic theme is an amount for direct service delivery by frontline staff. There is also a separate sum for backroom costs.

Costs associated with direct service delivery by frontline staff account for a specific proportion of the total budget allocation for each strategic theme. This proportion is consistent across all strategic objective/ themes.

There are 18 full-time and part-time paid frontline staff working for the five Delivery Partner organisations providing services that deliver the Outputs and Outcomes of the SWBNR Action Plan 2012–2015.

The SWBNP organisational delivery structure is set out in Annex 3.



Details of employers, posts, associated hours and the strategic theme the post relates to are set out in Annex 4.

Funding allocated to backroom costs within the budget covers the cost of staff delivering contract management/ administration, including financial management/ administration by GVRT as set out in Annex 5.

DSD also provided funding of £ to cover the cost of the SWBNP Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordinator post during the period 2015 to 2016.

### **1.17 South Belfast Partnership**

South Belfast Partnership (SBPB) is one of five area partnerships across Belfast that performs the role of supporting the implementation of the Government's Neighbourhood Renewal Programme.

SBPB brings together representatives of relevant groups and organisations from the community, voluntary, statutory and private sectors to work at a strategic level to identify and address needs across South Belfast.

It also brings groups and organisations together to undertake a range of social, economic, environmental and cultural projects across South Belfast and provides practical support to SWBNRP and Inner South Belfast

Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership (ISNRP) which covers the Donegall Pass, Lower Ormeau and Markets communities.

## 2.0 Annual Report

This section provides the following SWBNP Annual Report 2015-16 information.

For each strategic theme:

- The names of the groups with lead responsibility for SWBNRA Neighbourhood Renewal delivery.
- The SWBNP Action Plan 2015-18 Outcomes the work of the delivery partners is contributing towards the achievement of.
- The performance of the delivery partners in relation to SWBNP Action Plan 2015-18 targeted Outputs and associated Performance Measures.
- A summary of the frontline impact of the work of the delivery partners.
- Examples of the work of the delivery partners.

It also includes the following SWBNP Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordination information, a role performed by the SWBNP Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordinator.

- Outcomes linked to the post.
- Performance.
- Examples of work.

In relation to South Belfast Partnership Board, it covers the following:

## 2.1 Community Renewal

### 2.1.1 Lead Responsibility

Lead responsibility for Community Renewal delivery lies with:

- Southcity Resource and Development Centre. (SCRDC)
- Sandy Row Community Forum. (SRCF)

### 2.1.2 Action Plan Outcomes

Collectively, all activities of the two groups are contributed to the realisation of the following SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Community Renewal Outcomes:

#### Community Leaders

- Increase in community capacity through the development of well-trained community development staff and community leaders.

#### Community Groups

- Community groups are flourishing and networks are vibrant across the South-West Belfast area.

#### Community Participation

- Community sector organisations operate effectively and reach all relevant groups and organisations.

- Disaffected or marginalised groups develop confidence, influence and negotiation skills.
- Increase in community capacity through the identification and distribution of information relating to 'good practice' in service delivery models, projects and working practices.

#### Volunteers

- Increased number of volunteers playing an active role in helping bring about change in their local circumstances.
- Increase in the number of volunteers receiving training in community development skills and capacity building.

#### Citizenship and Political Engagement

- Increased community capacity through participation in events to enable residents to engage with political representatives.
- Increased community capacity through increased awareness among residents of the political system and how to influence it.

#### Community Identity

- Increased community cohesion through the development of a strong South West Belfast community identity.

- People have access to a wide range of community groups and activities and are more active in their community.

Thematic Linkages and Connectivity

- Increased community capacity through strong partnerships and collaborations between the Neighbourhood Partnership and key community and voluntary, public sector and private sector stakeholders in the area.
- Issues of importance to the South-West Neighbourhood Area are raised with key partners.

Neighbourhood Partnership Board

- Increased community capacity through strengthening of the NPB in relation to representation, role and structure.

Equality Agenda, Social Justice and Human Rights

- Increased community capacity through improved community awareness of equality, human rights and social responsibilities.

Culture and Heritage

- The culture and heritage of the SW Belfast communities is respected and celebrated.

Intra-Community Relations

- Improved community relations between residents living in the South-West Belfast area and residents living within ‘Nationalist’ areas.
- Improved community relations resulting from reduced levels of sectarianism affecting those who live, work and visit the South-West Belfast area.
- Improved relations between racial and ethnic groups living in the South-West area.

Welfare and Debt Advice

- Greater awareness of mainstream welfare processes and financial support available.

**2.1.3 Action Plan Performance**

There were 16 SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Outputs and associated targets linked to the Community Renewal strategic theme during the period 2015-2016. The impact of frontline delivery of services during the period 2015-2016 in relation to Community Renewal targets has been positive, as can be seen from the summary and table below:

- 9 (56.25%) were exceeded.
- 2 (12.5%) were met.
- 2 (12.5%) were not met.

- 3 (18.75%) partially exceeded/ partially not met.

Output	2015-16 Target	2015-16 Achieved
People receiving training in community development skills/ capacity building.	195	214
People volunteering for community development activities.	172	174
People using new or improved community facilities.	240	260
People using existing community facilities.	100	95
Residents who say they are aware of community facilities/ services in their area.	100%	100%
Community/voluntary groups supported.	25	24
People participating in community bonding projects	442	519
Community relations projects supported.	30	32
People participating in community relations projects.	336	336
Enquiries (E) and clients (C) by category (G is General/ D is Debt)	480 E (G) 1,060 C (G) 180 C (D)	1,004 E (G) 482 E (D) 591 C (G) 218 C (D)
Waiting list times and numbers	6 days 3 clients	4.75 days 4.5 clients
Appeals and success rate	16 appeals 90%	15 appeals 97.16%

Direct referrals to other support services – benevolent appeals (BA), food parcel assistance (FPA) and referrals SVP (RSVP).	12 (BA) 40 (FPA) 16 (RSVP)	23 (BA) 145(FPA) 11 (RSVP)
Value of benefits claimed as a result of advice given	£926,000	£2,611,860
Number of beneficiaries. (including families)	300	321
Number of events that enable people to engage with political representatives and candidates, number of people engaging and number of electoral registrations.	6/8 events 162 people 30/80 registrations	6 events 98 people 89 registrations 49 postal votes

SWBNP Action Plan Community Renewal Progress April 2015 to March 2016

## 2.1.4 Examples of Delivery Work

### 2.1.4.1 Southcity Resource and Development Association (SCRDC)

During the year, SCRDC delivered its Community Renewal contractual obligations through its Community Renewal Development Manager and its Community Renewal Worker.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

#### 2.1.4.1.1 Senior Moments

Based in its Drop-In Centre at SCRDC in Maldon Street, Senior Moments is a group for men and women aged sixty and over.

The Group offers a five days-a-week programme of activities. These include; swimming, a Seniors’ Gym, classes, shopping trips, a Well Women’s Group and an Active Club.

There is also a holiday club, tea dances, group work, a book of memories project, reminiscence and an allotment gardening project. Senior Moments has a minibus which is available to seniors in the wider community.

#### 2.1.4.2 Sandy Row Community Forum (SRCF)

During the year, SRCF delivered its Community Renewal contractual obligations through its Strategic Development Manager.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

##### 2.1.4.2.1 Belfast Transport Hub

Design & development plans for the proposed Transport Hub progressed during this year and SRCF have been at the forefront of lobbying on behalf of the community in relation to proposals

SRCF members have met with Transport NI to express the community views in relation to the proposed development.

SRCF has worked with members to ensure that this major new development impacts positively on the adjoining Sandy Row neighbourhood.

The development proposals provide for an integrated transport hub for rail, bus and coach travellers, as well as engineering facilities, bus parking, Translink offices and mixed use development.

The proposed new facilities will be located on the site of the existing Europa Bus Station, Great Victoria Railway Station and 20 acres of N. Ireland Transport Holding Company land at Grosvenor Road.





## 2.2 Economic Renewal

### 2.2.1 Lead Responsibility

Lead responsibility for Community Renewal delivery lies with:

- Greater Village Regeneration Trust. (GVRT)
- Belfast South Community Resources. (BSCR)

### 2.2.2 Action Plan Outcomes

Collectively, all activities of the two groups contributed toward the realisation of the following SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Economic Renewal Outcomes:

Collectively, all activities of the two groups are contributing toward the realisation of SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Key Outcomes, including:

#### Qualifications and Training

- Improvements in basic skills and achievement of entry level qualifications amongst local workforce.
- Increase in the number of people gaining GCSEs, A-levels or equivalent qualifications.

#### Employment Specific Education

- Employment specific qualifications for provided for residents of the South West area including accredited certificates – NVQ, VRQs, Diplomas, etc.

#### Accessing Relevant Job Opportunities

- Improved access to relevant programmes available to support the unemployed and other economically active residents to progress towards and access employment.
- Improved access for school leavers, young people and adults to career information and planning.

#### Co-ordination Communication

- Better co-ordinated training provision for all sections of the community throughout the SW Belfast area.

#### Employment Creation

- Increase in the number of self-employed entrepreneurs and small businesses in the area, including social economy enterprises.
- Shared space available to support new and emerging businesses.
- Increased employment opportunities through local business corporate social responsibility.

#### Economic Development

- Local businesses are supported and thrive.
- New economic opportunities are explored.

### 2.2.3 Action Plan Performance

There were 6 SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 targeted Outputs and associated measurements linked to the Economic Renewal strategic theme during the period 2015-2016. The impact of frontline delivery of services during the period 2015-2016 in relation to Economic Renewal targets has been positive, as can be seen from the summary and table below:

- 4 (66.66%) were exceeded.
- 1 (16.66%) was met.
- 1 ((16.66%) was not met.

Output	2015-16 Target	2015-16 Achieved
Residents going into employment.	25	38
People accessing careers advice.	90	159
People receiving job specific training.	180	173
People attaining a formal qualification from participation in adult education.	75	76
New/existing businesses receiving advice/ support.	9	9

Social economy enterprises created/ supported.	8	14
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SWBNP Action Plan Economic Renewal Progress April 2015 to March 2016

## 2.2.4 Examples of Delivery Work

### 2.2.4.1 Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)

During the year, GVRT delivered its economic renewal contractual obligations through two routes - TREE Training Centre and in-house through their Neighbourhood Renewal funded Community and Economic Development Officer.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

#### 2.2.4.1.1 Training Delivery

GVRT was awarded the Lead Partner role in relation to the Social Investment Fund Programme for an Employability Revenue Project. TREE Training Centre was subsequently awarded the contract to be the Construction Hub for South Belfast for the Employability South Programme.

Over the twelve month period, TREE enabled 2 cohorts of young people aged 16 and over to complete the programme.

The young people achieved NOCN Level 1 qualifications in ‘A Career in Construction’ as well as a Level 2 pathway in their chosen specialist trade area. The latter can include Tiling, Bricklaying, Painting and Decorating, Joinery etc.

Each of the two cohorts completed 6 months of intensive training and then had the option to move into a three month paid work placement with the ultimate goal of sustained employment thereafter.



TREE Trainees With Qualification Certificates

GVRT also provided local people with employment related assistance such as CV creation, interview preparation, job search and job application form completion. It helped a number of these participants move into sustained employment in a range of

sectors. GVRT also continued to provide placements to Community Service and Youth Justice Referrals.

### 2.2.4.2 Belfast South Community Resources (BSCR)

During the year, BSCR delivered its economic renewal contractual obligations through two routes – IT Training Co-ordinator and the Operations Manager (50 percent of contracted hours).

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

#### 2.2.4.2.1 IT Training

During the year, the BSCR Information Technology (IT) Centre celebrated ten years of delivering quality training programmes in Sandy Row.

Since 2006, in excess of 1,000 people have achieved over 1,750 OCR, ECDL and Microsoft IT qualifications. During the last twelve months, over twenty of these people gained employment as a result of the qualification they gained at the Centre.

Such statistics tell us about the overall success of the Centre but they don't show us the very positive impact the training programmes can

have on the lives of individuals. IT tutor at the Centre, Jim, gives us an example of this.

“George (not his real name) is an alcoholic who started coming into the Centre eight years ago. At first, he could hardly manage the computer mouse due to hand shake and openly admitted that he only came at the start to keep himself off the drink for a few hours a week. For six years, George attended class every Wednesday afternoon. By the time he had finished, he had passed every exam the Centre had to offer. Through this, he gained the confidence to turn his life around.



## 2.3 Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ Compulsory Education)

### 2.3.1 Lead Responsibility

Lead responsibility for Community Renewal delivery lies with:

- Belfast South Community Resources. (BSCR)
- Southcity Resource and Development Centre. (SCRDC)
- Windsor Women’s Centre (WWC)

### 2.3.2 Action Plan Outcomes

Collectively, all activities of the three groups contributed to the realisation of the following SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ Compulsory Education) Outcomes:

#### Parental Involvement

- Extended parental involvement in the delivery of their children’s learning and development.

#### Children’s Service Gaps

- Parents in employment, training or education programmes, or who are in need respite care, have access to adequate childcare provision.

#### Youth Services

- Improved Youth Services for the South West area.
- ‘Hard to reach’ young people are engaged in positive activities and interventions.

#### Child Protection

- Appropriate Child Protection policies in place to safeguard children.

#### Educational Underachievement

- Significantly improved educational attainment levels within the area.

#### Primary Schools

- A well-planned, merged Primary School serving the South-West Belfast area.

### 2.3.3 Action Plan Performance

There were 6 SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 targeted Outputs and associated measurements linked to the Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth provision Compulsory Educations) strategic theme during the period 2015-2016. The impact of frontline delivery of services during the period 2015-2016 in relation to Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth provision Compulsory Educations) targets has been positive, as can be seen from the summary and table below:

- 6 (100%) were exceeded.
- 0 (0%) were met.
- 0 (0%) were not met.

Output	2015-16 Target	2015-16 Achieved
Childcare/ nursery school places created/ safeguarded.	114	147
People engaged in parenting skills development programmes.	320	610
Pupils directly benefiting from/ being supported by the project. (Extended Schools)	167	318
Children/ young people taking part in regular physical activity. (Extended Schools)	65	80
Children and young people having access to specialist support to enhance their physical and emotional wellbeing. (Extended Schools)	9	57
People directly benefiting from the project. (Youth Services)	513	746

SWBNP Action Plan Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ Compulsory Education) Progress April 2015 to March 2016



### 2.3.4 Examples of Delivery Work

#### 2.3.4.1 Southcity Resource and Development Centre (SCRDC)

During the year, SCRDC delivered its Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ ASB) contractual obligations through its Social Renewal Co-ordinator, two FT and one PT Social Renewal Workers.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

##### 2.3.4.1.1 Homework Club

Education and qualifications are very important when it comes to finding a job or securing better paid work.

SCRDC provided local children with the opportunity to improve their chances of getting more and better qualifications by making available a new Homework Support Club.

The Club which is based in the SCRDC premises at 2 Maldon Street opened for members on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015

The primary school group meets on Thursdays between 3.00pm and 4.30pm and receives homework support from the tutor.

Secondary school members attend between 3.30pm and 5.00pm on Thursdays when the

focus is on study support across a range of subjects, including English and Maths.

#### 2.3.4.2 Belfast South Community Resources (BSCR)

During the year, BSCR delivered its Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ ASB) contractual obligations through its Social Renewal Development Assistant.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

##### 2.3.4.2.1 Study Support Group

Staff at BSCR understand that inadequate literacy skills, low educational attainment and self-esteem, social isolation and limited employment related skills can hold local young people back in life.

Over ten years, BSCR has tried to tackle these problems in different ways. One of its most successful has been the BSCR Study Support Group.

Based at 127 to 145 Sandy Row and now in its fifth year, the Study Support Group makes use of student mentors from Queen's University. The students come to the Centre every Wednesday afternoon to help the young people with their school work. The pupils are from Malone College and other Belfast schools. The

students also deliver GCSE exam revision sessions which the young people find very useful.

The Study Support Group is assisted by Charter Youth Club, Education Authority NI outreach youth workers and the Principal of Malone College. Malone College provides curriculum based materials and feedback on pupil progress. The help received from these organisations is vital for the survival of the project and the co-ordinated approach will go some way to improving outcomes for the young people.



#### 2.3.4.3 Windsor Women's Centre (WWC)

During the year, WWC delivered its Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ ASB) contractual obligations through its Child's Services Manager.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

#### 2.3.4.3.1 Petals Day Care

Petals Day Care and After Schools service are registered with the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust for full day care nursery and after-school provision.

It has a staff team of 16 who are vetted and qualified to NVQ Levels 2 and/ or 3 in Early Years Child Development. Staff are supported to undertake on-going training for continuous professional development e.g. first aid, child behaviour management, and speech and language development.

During this twelve month period:

- WWC continued to provide day care services for children in the 0 to 4 years and 5 to 11 years age groups, including support services such as respite care, additional needs support and parent contact visits as well as community initiatives such as a summer scheme and a Christmas festival.
- Became an approved venue for preschool Nursery provision with 12 places available in their PEAGS programme
- Provided support to families experiencing problems through the Family Support Hub

CASA. Twenty eight families received this service, linking them with a range of specialist support.

- Delivered, along with Solace and Sure Start, the Good Compass initiative which provides a mechanism for parents to identify their strengths and weaknesses in respect to their parenting skills, and equip themselves with strategies for positive parenting.

The childcare services supported women in its education programme, other training and capacity programmes as well as women returning to p/t work, or becoming engaged in volunteering. Additionally, sessions were provided for children by Sure Start and to support women engaged in WWC's mental health support services and wellbeing programmes.

The After-school club had a full programme of activities to get children active and develop their cognitive and social skills. They offered Monkeynastics and Ju-Jitsu a fun way for children to exercise and build their confidence, ability to focus and learn to interact with others.

They also delivered Crotchets and Quavers, these sessions facilitated by professional musicians introduced children to musical instruments incorporating percussion, props and songs to cover topics and themes in the school curriculum such as Colours and Seasons.

The Revive Project engaged children and parents in a range of educational activities to raise their awareness of environmental issues, connect them with nature and restorative outdoors activities and to promote healthier sustainable living.

The children and staff planted and harvested vegetables in raised beds in the WWC garden and developed an outdoor sensory area. This area stimulates senses in a calm environment with musical chimes, and shapes to explore and plants with scents and different shapes to touch.

A qualified nutritionist delivered a programme for the children and parents to teach children how to make healthy choices and equip parents with skills and tips on cooking nutritious meals on a budget. Ingredients grown in the garden were used in these plot to plate cookery sessions, connecting children with the sources



of food and stimulating their willingness to eat their greens.

## 2.4 Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB)

### 2.4.1 Lead Responsibility

Lead responsibility for Community Renewal delivery lies with:

- Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)
- Belfast South Community Resources (BSCR)
- Southcity Resource and Development Centre. (SCRDC)

### 2.4.2 Action Plan Outcomes

Collectively, all activities of the two groups contributed to the realisation of the following SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Social Renewal (Community safety/ Crime/ ASB)) Outcomes:

#### Policing and Crime

- Fall in the number of incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour.
- Increased community pride as a result of improvements in the image of the area.

#### Victims of Crime

- Victims of crime receive necessary support.

SWBNP Action Plan Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) Progress April 2015 to March 2016

### 2.4.3 Action Plan Performance

There were 7 SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 targeted Outputs and associated measurements linked to the Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) strategic theme during the period 2015-2016. The impact of frontline delivery of services during the period 2015-2016 in relation to Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) targets has been positive, as can be seen from the summary and table below:

- 5 (71.43%) were exceeded.
- 0 (0%) were met.
- 2 (28.57 %) were not met.

Output	2015-16 Target	2015-16 Achieved
Community safety initiatives implemented	49	70
People participating/attending community safety initiatives	440	534
Crime prevention initiatives implemented.	11	28
People participating in/attending crime prevention initiatives.	240	104
People receiving advice on crime prevention	5,000	4,810
Young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects.	115	129
Victims of crime supported	53	57

SWBNP Action Plan Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) Progress April 2015 to March 2016

### 2.4.4 Examples of Delivery Work

#### 2.4.4.1 Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)

During the year, GVRT delivered its Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) contractual obligations through its Economic and Community Development Officer. (18.5 hours)

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

#### 2.4.4.1.1 PAYBACK Programme

GRVT, along with South Belfast Alternatives, facilitated, with funding from the Police and Community Safety Partnership, the involvement of ten, 'at risk', young people in the PAYBACK Programme. This initiative seeks to help improve relations between young people and the police.

Activities the young people were involved in included learning about:

- The history of laws.
- Policing in Northern Ireland.
- Types of policing.

There also took part in a:

- Pizza and Peelers Mixer session that brought police officers and young people together in an informal and relaxed way.
- Visit to the Custody and CCTV suites in Musgrave Street PSNI station.
- A trip to Dublin which included a tour with the An Garda Siochana.
- A visit to Belfast Activity Centre There for a bit of fun and relaxation.

The PSNI played a vital role in the project and was heavily involved from the outset. Staff

were surprised by the young NEETS lads who completely turned around their opinions on their community and the PSNI officers. This was due to the work carried out in the PAYBAC programme and the close relationships they built with constables McHenry and Carroll.

They loved their visit to Dublin where they found a kindred spirit in Garda Liam Holland who is a juvenile liaison officer for An Garda Siochana. This gave the young people an insight into how the justice system works across the border and an opportunity to explore the differences and similarities in policing. It also made them appreciate their own community as the site visit in Dublin to St Teresas Garden was a real eye opener for the young lads and they promised to never complain about their area when they made the comparisons.

#### 2.4.4.2 Belfast South Community Resources (BSCR)

During the year, BSCR delivered its Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) contractual obligations through its Community Confidence Officer.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

#### 2.4.4.2.1 Sandy Row Family Fun Day

Thanks to BSCR, local kids were able to take to the streets of Sandy Row on 11<sup>th</sup> July to celebrate the 1690 Battle of the Boyne anniversary.

Sandy Row's celebrations kicked off with a Family Fun Day on 11<sup>th</sup> July on the front of the road.

Up to a hundred people enjoyed the great barbeque, food and refreshments laid on. To make it a perfect day, there was also hours of fun on the bouncy castle.

At 11.00pm, it was the turn of the adults with the traditional bonfire and Big Disco.





The event was funded through the City Council's Bonfire Management Programme.

#### 2.4.4.3 Southcity Community Resource and Development Centre (SCRDC)

During the year, SCRDC delivered its Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) contractual obligations through its Community Confidence Officer.

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

##### 2.4.4.3.1 Community Safety and Crime Prevention Initiatives

SCRDC delivered a number of initiatives to assist with community safety and the prevention of crime and associated themes. These included:

- The promotion of awareness of the support available to residents to resolve neighbour disputes.
- Working with stakeholders to secure the implementation of appropriate community safety measures for bonfire events.
- Delivering programmes to raise awareness of the use of social media for bullying or the incitement of crime and anti-social behaviour.

- Delivering initiatives involving young people. These included supporting, developing and delivering youth diversionary programmes, especially during the summer months.
- The provision of information directly to those effected by ensuring that victims of crime, in particular those who have experienced violent crime, theft, criminal damage, burglary, domestic abuse and drug offences, have accessed victim support services.

SCRDC also developed and delivered promotional mechanisms for raising awareness of victim support agencies among the wider South-West Belfast population.

## 2.5 Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing)

### 2.5.1 Lead Responsibility

Lead responsibility for Community Renewal delivery lies with:

- Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)

### 2.5.2 Action Plan Outcomes

Collectively, all activities of the two groups are contributing toward the realisation of the following SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) Outcomes:

#### Local Health and Well-being

- Improved health and well-being of residents in the South West area.
- Community influencing the implementation and development of the Health Action Plan.
- Stronger linkages and effective working relationships developed between the community sector and statutory health services and providers.

### Delivering Health and Well-being Services

- Appropriate structures and agreements are in place to ensure the effective delivery of health and well-being services in the South West area.
- Monitoring and review processes are undertaken locally and are embedded in service delivery.

### 2.5.3 Action Plan Performance

There were 3 SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 targeted Outputs and associated measurements linked to the Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) strategic theme during the period 2015-2016. The impact of frontline delivery of services during the period 2015-2016 in relation to Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) targets has been positive, as can be seen from the summary and table below:

- 3 (100%) were exceeded.
- 0 (0%) were met.
- 0 (0%) were not met.

Output	2015-16 Target	2015-16 Achieved
People benefiting from healthy lifestyle projects.	415	430
People attending health education/ awareness initiatives.	133	194
Health education/ awareness initiatives provided/ delivered.	9	11

SWBNP Action Plan Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) Progress April 2015 to March 2016

### 2.5.4 Examples of Delivery Work

#### 2.5.4.1 Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)

During the year, GVRT delivered its Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) contractual obligations through its Director (25 percent).

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

##### 2.5.4.1.1 Fittest Primary School Challenge

Fit 4 Life implemented a project focused on the fitness of over 200 Year 5, 6 and 7 pupils from Blythefield, Donegall Road and Fane Street primary schools.



The pupils undertook an 8 week fitness programme. The first week involved an assessment of each child's baseline fitness level. This was followed by a six week programme of sports and activities designed to promote their fitness. This was delivered by Fit4Life instructors and assisted by BCSDN and GLL coaches.

The programme culminated in week 8 with Sports' Awareness Day at Olympia Leisure Centre. This enabled a review of fitness levels among the participants by way of a series of fun fitness tests. These provided the data needed to find the overall fittest school which turned out to be Blythefield. Fane Street received the Fittest Year 5 award while Donegall Road got the Fittest Year 6 award.

## 2.6 Physical Renewal and Housing

### 2.6.1 Lead Responsibility

Lead responsibility for Community Renewal delivery lies with:

- Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)

### 2.6.2 Action Plan Outcomes

Collectively, all activities of the two groups contributed to the realisation of the following SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 Social Renewal (Physical Renewal and Housing) Outcomes:

#### Housing Development/ Improvement

- Delivery of new housing development and refurbishment of decaying properties.

#### Housing Management

- Properties are effectively managed and maintained.
- Social housing void levels are minimised.
- The social housing allocation system is seen to be implemented fairly in the area.

#### Environment

- There is a clean and pleasant physical environment for everyone.

- The South West area is safe for pedestrians.
- Lobby to ensure the continued protection and preservation of significant buildings within the area.
- A reduction in the number of derelict properties.

#### Planning for Development

- Communities are engaged in the planning of major developments impacting upon the South West area.
- The residential character of South-West Belfast residential areas is retained.
- Continued good access for South-West Belfast residents to the rest of the City.

#### Vacant Development Sites

- Development of vacant sites.

#### Community Infrastructure

- Improved community assets and facilities in the South West area.

### 2.6.3 Action Plan Performance

There were 9 SWBNRA Action Plan 2015-18 targeted Outputs and associated measurements linked to the Physical Renewal and Housing Renewal strategic theme during the period 2015-2016. The impact of frontline delivery of services during the period 2015-2016 in relation

to Physical Renewal and Housing targets has been positive, as can be seen from the summary and table below:

- 5 (55.55%) were exceeded.
- 0 (0%) were met.
- 4 (44.44%) were not met.

Output	2015-16 Target	2015-16 Achieved
Buildings improved.	23	16
Area of land improved for open space.	1	4
People/ volunteers involved in physical development and/ or environmental projects.	95	402
Number of trees planted.	25	6
Traffic calming schemes	4	2
Area of land improved and made ready for development.	4	3
Community facilities improved.	1	4
Area of land made ready for shared space.	6	5
People receiving help with housing issues and environmental problems.	850	728

SWBNP Action Plan Physical Renewal and Housing Progress April 2015 to March 2016



## 2.6.4 Examples of Delivery Work

### 2.6.4.1 Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)

During the year, GVRT delivered its Physical Renewal and Housing contractual obligations through its Director (25 percent) and the GVRT Community Sustainability Officer (25 percent).

An example of work carried out in 2015/2016 is set out below:

#### 2.6.4.1.1 Vacant and Decaying Homes/ Properties

GVRT and the Village URA Community Design Team continued to lobby during the year for the purchase and improvement of four vacant and decaying houses/ properties in Broadway. The owners of the properties agreed to sell them to the Housing Executive on a voluntary basis. This will be very positive as it will enable what are eyesores to be demolished and new social housing to be provided on the site in the near future.

GVRT carried out a survey of all the streets in the Mid Donegall Road and Greater Village area and recorded details of actual

and potential empty, boarded up and derelict old terraced houses. A survey report was prepared by GVRT and this was sent to the Housing Executive which subsequently indicated that it is going to investigate small areas of old terraced housing within the neighbourhood to find out who owns what, if they are empty / vacant and the condition of their own properties. GVRT continues to lobby to see the improvement of all buildings and sites in the area.



### 2.6.4.2 Belfast South Community Resources (BSCR)

#### 2.6.4.2.1 Mother, Daughter, Sister

Thanks to a BSCR led project, Sandy Row's Boyne Bridge entrance has acquired a new and significant piece of public artwork.

'Mother Daughter Sister', which is cast in bronze, was designed to be a reflection of the power of women in the area and the vital role they play within the community.

The sculpture is the work of artist Ross Wilson who involved local people in the design process by way of a series of artist led workshops.

The artwork was unveiled on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2015 by Sandy Row's oldest female resident Gracie Graham and N. Ireland's, then, Finance Minister, Arlene Foster.



## 2.7 SWBNP Co-ordination and Communication

### 2.7.1 Outcomes

During the period 2015 to 2016, the Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordinator (NRC) worked towards the realisation of the following Outcomes.

#### Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership and Sub-groups

- The effective and efficient operation of the Neighbourhood Partnership and its sub-groups to support the delivery and development of a Neighbourhood Action Plan.

#### Action Plan Review

- SWBNAP to be reviewed and where appropriate updated in response to changes in evidence based priorities.

#### Community Awareness

- Widespread community awareness of the work being carried out to deliver the SWBNR Action Plan 2015-2017 and the progress made. Also, community feedback being received, collated, analysed and made available for the purpose of amending and

moulding delivery actions and programmes.

#### SWBNP and Community Planning

- The effective participation of SWBNP in structures and processes established by Belfast City Council in relation to the development and implementation of Community Planning in Belfast and the SWBNRA; as linked to the timing of the Community Planning process across Belfast.

### 2.7.2 NRC Performance

#### 2.7.3 Example of NRC Work

##### 2.7.3.1 Newsletter

The Neighbourhood Renewal Co-ordinator, supported by the SWBNP Communications Sub-group, researched, prepared and delivered/facilitated delivery of approximately 3,500 copies of the SWBNP newsletter, What's Happening? SW Belfast.

This four page, colour newsletter contained a total of 54 articles/ blocks of information in its four issues made available during the year.

The role of the four page, colour newsletter is to update residents about services being delivered

by the five local Delivery Partners on behalf of the Partnership. It also informs people about planned events and activities and provides them with opportunities to put forward their views and ideas.



## 2.8 South Belfast Partnership Board

South Belfast Area Partnership (SBPB) is a Board that brings together representatives from the community, voluntary, statutory, political and private sectors.

The Board's purpose is to strengthen and better target the work of neighbourhood communities as they attempt to tackle the physical, economic, social and environmental problems of their areas. These neighbourhoods are the most disadvantaged in South Belfast and among the most disadvantaged in Northern Ireland.

SBPB works strategically adopting an overview approach to the needs of South Belfast. It seeks to ensure that SWBNRA and Inner South Neighbourhood Renewal Area, along with other areas at risk, have a long-term and sustainable solutions to deliver effective regeneration.

During the period covered by this Annual Report, SBPB facilitated and provided administration for four SWNRP Board meetings.

Working with local communities, SBPB used culture to drive regeneration. After holding five workshops with local communities, SBPB published a draft Cultural Plan for South Belfast' in March 2016, entitled, 'Spirit of the South' A community portal, available at

<http://spiritofsouthbelfast.org/>, flowed from the Cultural Plan. This has started the process of building, connecting and celebrating the many wonderful cultural activities that take place within South Belfast neighbourhoods and places them alongside the area's bigger cultural assets.

Economics is a central pillar of regeneration. During the twelve month period, SBPB worked as part of a partnership with GEMS in relation to its EmployAbility South, Strategic Investment Fund funded project. This initiative brought a suite of private sector employers to the table to support training and real and meaningful employment opportunities for South Belfast residents. Companies engaged included Deloittes, Boots, Alliance Healthcare and Centra.

Digital South, the digital arm of the South Belfast Economic Forum, which identifies gaps and develops pipeline skills and opportunities, held its third annual Digital Youth event. One hundred and fifty young people from local post primary schools attended the Ulster Museum event to engage and interact with real life digital companies for the purposes of developing their skills and increasing their knowledge about future employment prospects.

In order to effect real change, SBPB hosted a digital breakfast with school principals, the CBI

and local digital companies with the aim of influencing and setting the agenda for change within education.

# Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding in 2015/2016

## 3.0 Achievements of Neighbourhood Renewal Funding in 2015/2016

\* The following figures are cumulative covering a number of groups engaged in collaborative working and set against the targets outlined on BROMIS and the relevant contracts for funding.

### 3.1 Community Renewal Output Measures

PROJECT	CR1 – Number of people participating in community relation projects	CR2 - Number of people participating in community bonding projects.	CR3 - Number of people volunteering for community development activities	CR5 - Number of people receiving training in community development skills.	CR6 - Number of people using new or improved community facilities.	CR7- Number of community/voluntary groups supported.	CR8 - Number of community relations projects supported	CR10 - Number of people using existing community facilities	CR11 - Percentage of residents who say they are aware of community facilities/ services in their area.	CR12 - Number of enquiries and clients.	CR13 – Total number of beneficiaries.
SWB - Community Renewal Programme	519	519	174	214	260	24	32	95	100%	1,004 E (G) 482 E (D) 591 C (G) 218 C (D)	321

PROJECT	CR14 – Waiting list times and numbers.	CR15 - Number of appeals and success rate.	CR16 - Number of direct referrals to other support services.	CR17 - Value of benefits claimed as a result of advice given.
SWB - Community Renewal Programme	4.75 days 4.5 clients	15 appeals 97.16%	23 (BA) 145(FPA) 11 (RSVP)	£2,611,860

### 3.2 Economic Renewal Output Measures

PROJECT	ER2 – Number of NR residents going into employment	ER3 - Number of people accessing careers advice	ER4 - Number of people receiving job specific training	ER9 - Number of new/ existing businesses requiring/ receiving advice/ support.	ER14 - Number of social economy enterprises created/ supported.	ER14 - Number of people attaining formal qualifications from participation in adult education
<b>SWB - Economic Renewal Programme</b>	38	159	173	9	14	76

### 3.3 Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ Compulsory Education) Output Measures

PROJECT	SR(ED)1 - Number of childcare/ nursery school places created/ safeguarded	SR(ED)5 - Number of people engaged in parenting skills development programmes. (Tackling barriers to learning)	SR(ED)18 - Number of pupils directly benefiting from/ being supported by the project. (Extended Schools)	SR(ED)14 - Number of people directly benefiting from the project. (Youth Services)	SR(ED)20 – Number of children and young people having access to specialist support to enhance their physical and emotional wellbeing. (Extended Schools)	SR(ED)22 - Number of children/ young people taking part in regular physical activity. (Extended Schools)
<b>SWB – Social Renewal - Early Years, Youth Provision and Compulsory Education)</b>	147	610	318	746	57	80



### 3.4 Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) Output Measures

PROJECT	SR(C)1 - Number of people receiving advice on crime prevention.	SR(C)2 - Number of community safety initiatives implemented.	SR(C)3 - Number of people participating/ attending community safety initiatives.	SR(C)4 - Number of crime prevention initiatives implemented.	SR(C)5 - Number of people participating in/ attending crime prevention.	SR(C)6 - Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/ diversionary projects.	SR(C)7 - Number of victims of crime supported.
<b>SWB – Social Renewal (Community Safety, Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour)</b>	4,810	70	534	28	104	129	57

### 3.5 Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) Output Measures

Please note that the programme of activity relating to health within the South-West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Board is covered by external funding with Partnership reference to the Public Health Agency, Sport NI, Big Lottery, Belfast City Council etc. As such the outputs section of this action is “light” as the outputs relate to other funders.

PROJECT	SR(H)1 - Number of people benefiting from healthy lifestyle projects.	SR(H)2 - Number of people attending health education/ awareness initiatives.	SR(H)4 - Number of health education/ awareness initiatives provided/ delivered.
<b>SWB – Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing)</b>	430	194	11

### 3.6 Physical Renewal Output Measures

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>PR(1) -</b> Area of land improved for open space.	<b>PR(3) -</b> Area of land improved and made ready for development.	<b>PR4 -</b> Number of buildings improved.	<b>PR(5) -</b> Number of community facilities improved.	<b>PR(6) -</b> Number of traffic calming schemes.	<b>PR7 –</b> Number of trees planted.	<b>PR(10) -</b> Area of land made ready for shared space.	<b>PR(11) -</b> Number of people/ volunteers involved in physical development and/ or environmental projects.	People receiving help with housing issues and environmental problems.
<b>SWB – Physical Renewal and Housing</b>	4	3	16	4	2	6	5	402	728

## SWBNP- Expenditure (by Strategic Objective)

### 4.0 SWBNP- Expenditure (by Strategic Objective)

The following table details current projects funded via the Neighbourhood Renewal Investment fund. It also details the individual spend for each project, the total amount of expenditure by strategic objective and the overall 2012/13 total expenditure in the South West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Area.

Programme/Project	CFF Funding Period	CFF Funding Amount (Project Allocation) 2015/16	Spend (as at 31/03/16)
<b>COMMUNITY RENEWAL: South West Belfast Community Renewal Programme</b>			
	1/4/15- 31/3/16	£112,698.56	£112,698.56
<b>Total Community Renewal Expenditure</b>			<b>£112,698.56</b> <i>final receipts pending</i>
<b>SOCIAL RENEWAL (EDUCATION): South West Belfast Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth provision/ Compulsory Education) Programme</b>			
	1/4/15- 31/3/16	£157,304.52	£157,304.52
<b>Total Social Renewal - Education Expenditure</b>			<b>£157,304.52</b> <i>final receipts pending</i>
<b>SOCIAL RENEWAL (CRIME): South West Belfast Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ ASB) Programme</b>			
	1/4/15- 31/3/16	£56,941.78	£56,941.78
<b>Total Social Renewal – Crime Renewal Expenditure</b>			<b>£56,941.78</b> <i>final receipts pending</i>
<b>PHYSICAL RENEWAL &amp; HEALTH: South West Belfast Physical Renewal and Health Programme</b>			
	1/4/15- 31/3/16	£75,119.09	£75,119.09
<b>Total Physical / Health Renewal Expenditure</b>			<b>£75,119.09</b> <i>final receipts pending</i>

<b>Programme/Project</b>	<b>CFF Funding Period</b>	<b>CFF Funding Amount (Project Allocation) 2014/15</b>	<b>Spend (as at 31/03/15)</b>
<b>ECONOMIC RENEWAL: South West Belfast Economic Renewal (Worklessness and Adult Education) Programme</b>			
	1/4/15- 31/3/16	£73,599.56	£73,599.56
<b>Total Economic Renewal Expenditure</b>			<b>£73,599.56</b> <i>final receipts pending</i>
	1/4/15 – 31/3/16	£25,419.44	£25,419.44
<b>TOTALS</b>		Total Allocation	Total Spend
			<b>£501,082.95</b>

# Conclusions

## 5.0 Conclusions

For SWBNP and its Delivery Partners, the year April 2015 to March 2016 was characterised by significant achievements. These are summarised below:

- Continued delivery of Neighbourhood Renewal in the SWBNRA on a collaborative basis.
- Achieving, or exceeding 75 percent of South West Belfast Action Plan 2015-2016 Output Targets across the six Strategic Themes. Also, partially achieving or exceeding 6.5 percent of the targets.
- Delivery of a significant number of initiatives by Delivery Partners on a collaborative basis.
- Delivering the SWBNP Neighbourhood Programme within budget.
- In the context of a challenging funding environment, securing substantial non-Neighbourhood Renewal funding from a range of funding sources thus enabling the delivery of a large number of Action Plan related projects.

Over the same period, SWBNP and its Delivery Partners faced substantial challenges. These are summarised below:

- Delivering and administering the substantial body and range of services with the existing Neighbourhood Renewal funded posts provision.

SWBNP and its Delivery Partners once again head into the year ahead (2016-2017) on a strong footing and the decision by DSD to continue funding Neighbourhood Renewal in the SWBNRA during 2016-2017 largely unchanged from the previous year helps to sustain the capacity of SWBNP to deliver for the people of the area.



## Annex One: SWBNP Board Members

SWBNP Board Members	Organisation	Category
Paula Bradshaw	Greater Village Regeneration Trust	<b>Co-Chairperson</b> Community Sector and Voluntary Sector
Glenda Davies	Sandy Row Community Forum	<b>Co-Chairperson</b> Community Sector and Voluntary Sector
Stephen Atkinson	GEMS NI	Community and Voluntary Sector
Billy Dickson	Blackstaff Community Development Association	Community and Voluntary Sector
Trevor Greer	South City Malecare	Community and Voluntary Sector
Debbie Hamill	South Belfast Alternatives	Community and Voluntary Sector
Nikki Johnston	Sandy Row Mum's Club	Community and Voluntary Sector
Anna McAvoy	Sandy Row Residents' Association	Community and Voluntary Sector
Freda Conville	ABC Residents' Association	Community and Voluntary Sector
Shirley Simpson	Windsor Women's Centre	Community and Voluntary Sector
Bob Stoker	SCRDC	Community and Voluntary Sector
Garnet Busby	Belfast South Community Resources	Community and Voluntary Sector
Breige Arthurs	South Belfast Partnership	Community and Voluntary Sector
Sandra McKenna	Department for Social Development (Belfast Regeneration Office)	Statutory Sector
Seoirse Caldwell	Belfast City Council	Statutory Sector
Gabi Mornhinweg	Belfast Health and Social Care Trust	Statutory Sector
Pauline Mulholland	Knockbreda Jobs and Benefits Office	Statutory Sector
Sam Campbell	PSNI	Statutory Sector

## Annex Two: Community Delivery Partners

### Windsor Women's Centre (WWC)



WWC is a multi service provider working successfully in the Broadway area of the Donegall Road and the Village neighbourhood in South West Belfast since 1990.

It is the only Women's Centre in South Belfast and has grown significantly over the last twenty five years to become a fundamental resource for women of all ages and cultural backgrounds

Its key aim is to address the root causes of intergenerational poverty and disadvantage for women and to equip them with employable and transferable skills which can then be used to enhance employment opportunities and career development.

vocational, capacity building and peace and reconciliation programmes across the traditional religious sectarian divide.

Windsor Women's Centre, 136-144 Broadway, Donegall Road, Belfast BT12 6HY. Tel: (028) 9023 5451.

### Southcity Community Resource and Development Centre (SCRDC)



SCRDC was established in 1994. Its mission is to drive social change by tackling social exclusion, poverty and social injustice through supporting community based action and influencing policy development.

Its aims include working in partnership with community and voluntary organisations to achieve social change through the delivery of a range of relevant programmes and proactive

provide a point of contact for residents in dealing with a range issues including housing, education, youth provision, health and the elderly.

Southcity Resource and Development Centre, 2-4 Maldon Street, Belfast BT12 6FR. Tel: 028 9028 5060.

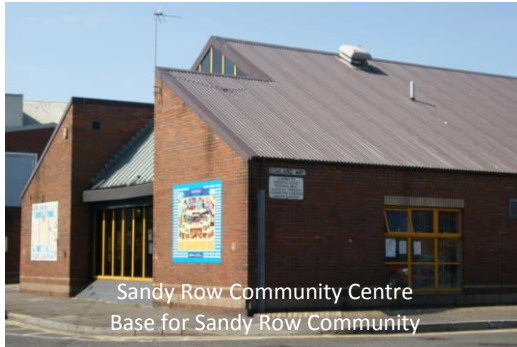
### Sandy Row Community Forum (SRCF)

SRCF was established in 1996 and acts as an umbrella organisation for all local community groups, bringing together diverse social partners to benefit the area.

The organisation is mainly strategic in its nature and remit, serving to ensure against duplication of funding and community development effort.

It also provides for a comprehensive, structured and strategically led strategy and support base having increasingly taken on a key role in contributing to the planning and delivery of regeneration initiatives within Sandy Row and the wider South West Belfast area.

Its mission statement is 'A prosperous and attractive place to live. A place where visitors and investors are welcome. A healthy, vibrant and positive community'.



Sandy Row Community Forum, Sandy Row Community Centre, 63 – 75 Sandy Row, Belfast BT12 5ER. Tel: (028) 90238446.

### Belfast South Community Resources (BSCR)



BSCR was established in 2005 to provide a more streamlined cost effective service delivery

in response to the launch of the Neighbourhood Renewal Programme.

Their mission is to create a shared space that enables people to fulfil their potential by providing access to quality services and support.

It has become established as a quality accredited training provider and works with a range of social partners to tackle problems including, education, lifelong learning, community capacity, civic leadership, health and wellbeing, physical and built environment and economic and employment opportunities.

Belfast South Community Resources, 127-145 Sandy Row, Belfast BT12 5ET. Tel: (028) 9044 4449.

### Greater Village Regeneration Trust (GVRT)

GVRT was established in 1999 to deliver urban renewal in the Donegall Road community of Belfast.

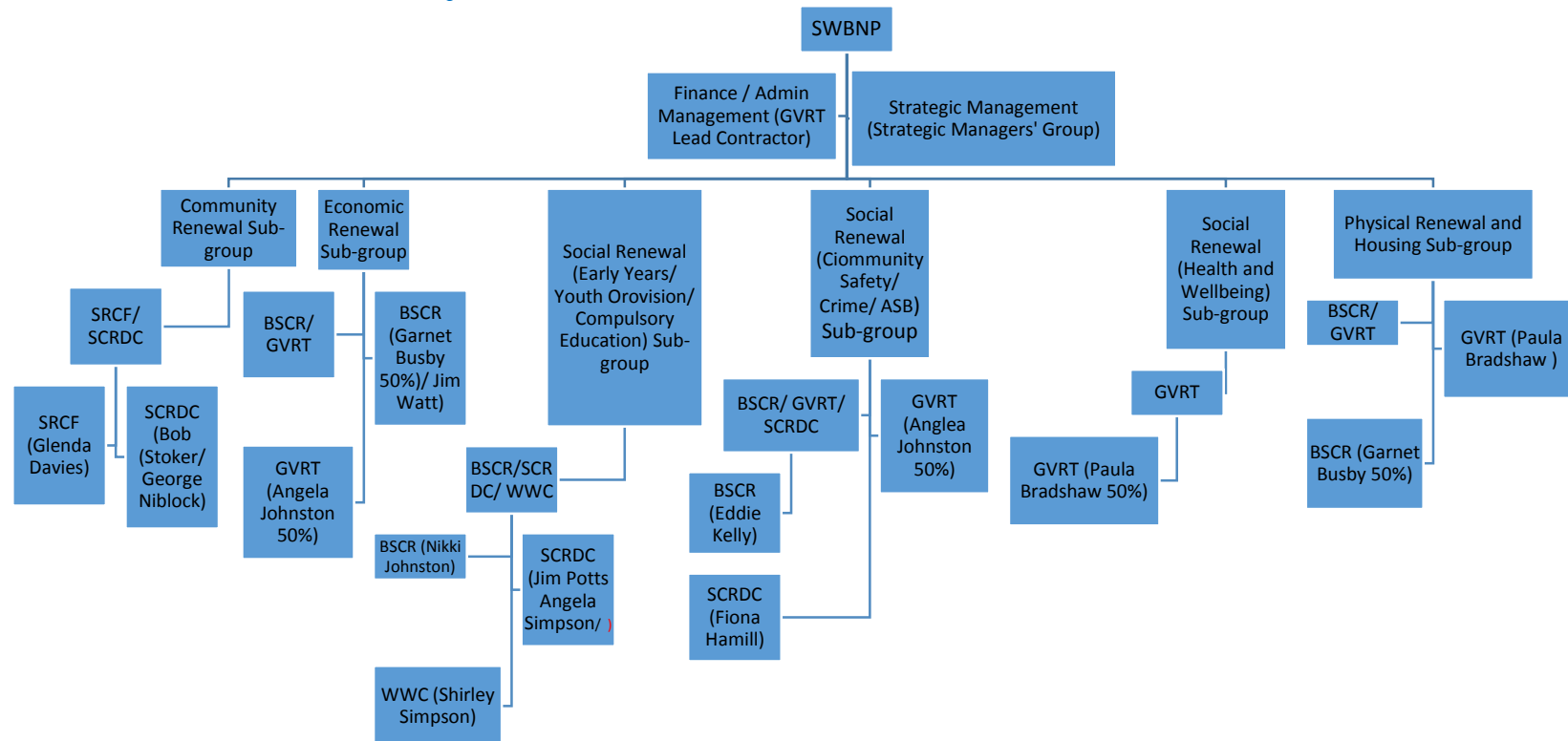
Its key aim is to deliver a comprehensive regeneration programme that is sustainable in the long-term with a range of inter-related thematic programmes of activities designed to improve conditions for the physical environment and enhance the life chances of local residents. These include housing redevelopment, environmental improvements,

sports development and well-being, TREE trade school, community relations, cultural development through the arts and Richview Regeneration Centre – a purpose-built community-economic development building.

Greater Village Regeneration Trust, 335 Donegall Road, Belfast BT12 6FQ. Tel: (028) 9033 3527.



# Annex Three: South West Belfast Neighbourhood Renewal Organisational Delivery Structure



## Annex Four: Strategic Themes, Employers, Posts, Associated Hours

Strategic Theme	Employer	Post	FT/PT and Weekly Hours
Community Renewal	Sandy Row Community Forum	Strategic Development Manager	FT (37 hours pw)
	Southcity Resource and Development Centre	Community Renewal Development Manager	FT (37 hours pw)
	Southcity Resource and Development Centre	Community Renewal Worker	FT (37 hours pw)
Economic Renewal (Worklessness/ Adult Education)	Belfast South Community Resources	IT Co-ordinator	FT (37 hours pw)
	Belfast South Community Resources	Operations' Manager	PT (18.5 hours pw)
	Greater Village Regeneration Trust	Economic and Community Development Officer	PT (18.5 hours pw)
Social Renewal (Early Years/ Youth Provision/ Compulsory Education)	Belfast South Community Resources	Social Renewal Development Assistant	FT (37 hours pw)
	Southcity Resource and Development Centre	Social Renewal Co-ordinator	FT (37 hours pw)
	Southcity Resource and Development Centre	Social Renewal Project Worker	FT (37 hours pw)
	Southcity Resource and Development Centre	Social Renewal Project Worker	FT (37 hours pw)
	Southcity Resource and Development Centre	Social Renewal Project Worker	PT (16.5 hours pw)
	Windsor Women's Centre	Social Renewal Childcare Co-ordinator	FT (37 hours pw)
Social Renewal (Community Safety/ Crime/ Anti-Social Behaviour)	Belfast South Community Resources	Community Confidence Officer	FT (37 hours pw)
	Greater Village Regeneration Trust	Economic and Community Development Officer	PT (18.5 hours pw)
	Southcity Resource and Development Centre	Community Confidence Worker	PT (20 hours pw)
Social Renewal (Health and Wellbeing) and Physical Renewal and Housing	Belfast South Community Resources	Operations' Manager	PT (18.5 hours pw)
	Greater Village Regeneration Trust	Director	FT (27.75 hours pw)
	Greater Village Regeneration Trust	Community Sustainability Officer	FT (9.25 hours pw – DSD funded/ 27.75 hours NIHE funded)



## Annex Five: Backroom Posts/ Costs

Work Area	Post	FT/PT and Weekly Hours
Contract Management	GVRT Director	FT (9.25 hours pw)
Financial Management	GVRT Finance Manager	FT (37 hours pw)
Finance Administration	GVRT Finance Assistant	FT (22 hours pw)

*GVRT Backroom Posts*

In addition to the above staff related costs, the other backroom costs set out in the below are incurred by the Delivery Partners.

Delivery Partner Incurring Costs	Backroom Costs
BSCR/ GVRT/ SCRDC/ SRCF/ WWC	Audit and Accounting/ Heat and Light/ Insurance/ Maintenance/ Phone and Internet/ Postage/ Printing/ Rent/ Stationery/ Training and Career Development/ Travel

*Other Backroom Costs.*